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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Rose Thiessen on 13 October 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 13, line 1, replace "Process" with --process--.

Claim 18, line 2, insert --or not--, after "metal conductive".

Cancel new claim 27.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Because the cited reference WO 99/47731 fails to teach or suggest the recited specific complexing agent where R_1 is a hydrocarbon group covalently bound to the carboxylate group (COO) as asserted by Applicant in the remarks of 13 July 2004 and because of the submission of the Declaration of Palmans et al. filed

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concurrently to overcome the use of EP 1022355 A2 as the reference in the first Office action's rejection.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Oath/Declaration

3. The oath or declaration is defective. A new oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.67(a) identifying this application by application number and filing date is required. See MPEP §§ 602.01 and 602.02.

The oath or declaration is defective because: as filed on 16 June 2004, it contains only 2 pages and does not have the full name of the first inventor, his signature and the execution date.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kishor Mayekar whose telephone number is (571) 272-1339. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the

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examiner's supervisor, Nam Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-1342. The fax

phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned

is 703-872-9306.

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Kishor Mayekar Primary Examiner

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